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STRETCHING DEVICE**

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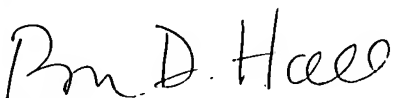
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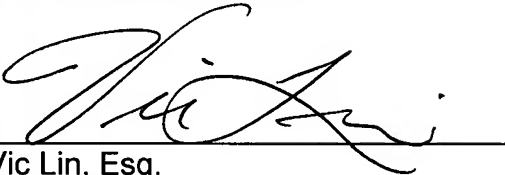
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## 1. Statement

Novelty (N)	Claims 1-8	YES
	Claims	NO
Inventive step (IS)	Claims 1-8	YES
	Claims	NO
Industrial applicability (IA)	Claims 1-8	YES
	Claims	NO

## 2. Citations and explanations:

Novelty (N), Inventive Step (IS), Industrial Applicability (IA) Claims 1-8

None of the citations alone, or in obvious combination, disclosed all of the features of any of the claims.

In particular, none of the citations disclosed the features of swing-arms that pivoted rearwardly to stretch the anterior shoulder, let alone have a user-actuated mechanism to allow this.

The invention as defined is regarded as being industrially applicable.

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